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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP ART UNIT 1645

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : CHOU
Application No. 10/729,980
Filed JUL 23 2007 December 9, 2003
Title ASSAY SYSTEMS, KITS AND METHODS FOR
DETECTING MICROORGANISMS
Group Art Unit : 1645
Examiner : Dr. Rodney P. Swartz
Attorney Docket : BHT/3092-397

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 23, 2007, in which the period for response has been extended to expire on July 23, 2007 by the filing herewith of a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time and payment of the required fee, please amend this application as indicated below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.